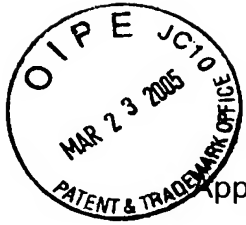


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action issued September 27, 2004 for which a response period of three months was set. Applicants hereby submit a Petition for Extension of time for three months together with a check for the extension fee. The present response is timely.

AMENDMENT

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.